

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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First Named Inventor	Hidetoshi AOKI	Examiner	: Peter D. Mulcahy
Customer No.	54884	Docket No.	: Hokushin-6
Title:	Moderately Resistive Rubber Composition and Rubber Member		

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated 15 December 2008.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.

Please amend the above-identified application without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter as follows: